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Another sale of red underwear at

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If you want the handsomest and best

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Don't buy an Overcoat before you see

the immense stock at B. Stine's. We

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BUSHN & HUTCHIN for Holiday Slip-

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All kinds of upholstery goods in stock

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Latest novelties in Swiss, Cambric

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Oak. dit

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ing, go to A. Beer, corner of West Main

and Old Square. Work and prices war-

ranted. oct30-dit

THE TURKEY.

Thanksgiving a Day that Gives Special

Zest to the Life of the Week.

That we should have a season of

Thanksgiving in which to express our

gratitude to Him, the Giver of all good,

is a duty doubly binding upon us. Not

only has He given us all that is needed

for existence, but He has added thereto

manifold things with the sole end and

intent of making that existence pleas-

urable. If man, in his obstinacy or

obtuseness, sometimes falls in the full

enjoyment of them, the fault is his.

Desire, capacity and reason have been

given him that he may the better ap-

preciate the blessings bestowed; and if

he makes bad use of three such attrib-

utes, the conclusion is plain that he

would not make good use of a dozen

others if he had them.

There are some discontented mortals

in the world—and, perhaps, it would

not be a world without them—who de-

clare they have nothing to be thankful

for. That Thanksgiving was made for

the rich, not for the poor. An asser-

tion we will not dispute; but, the

possession of dollars does not consti-

tute riches, nor the want of them pov-

erty. There is many a man, rich in-

deed in all this world, who can

bring him, who gets very little out of

his dollars, unless it be anxiety and

misery, and these are not exactly the

kind of riches for which he feels like

being thankful. No. The truly rich,

indeed, are the ones for whom Thank-

sgiving was intended and made, and of

these he is richest who is contented

with the least. Men—and myriads of

them—have found and could tell the

world the solemn difference that lies

between true and false riches—could

they come from the grave to do so.

But our philosophy is running away

with us and making us forget a very

important adjunct to Thanksgiving,—

or rather something more than an ad-

justant, for it is home, we mean, the

part and parcel of the day itself;—

namely, the turkey. Custom now

mixes feasting and mirth with most of

our celebrations, though the events

they commemorate be sacred, or their

significance be religious in its character.

And, in this, custom is wise. There can

be nothing very wrong in the enjoyment

of those things which have been given

us for the purpose; indeed, to refrain,

would be, as Milton says, an evidence

of ingratitude to the Giver. A free

and cheerful mind, too, especially at

hours of meat, is one of the soundest

saucers for a long life. Hope may be

the anchor, but mirth is the cable

whose end must be held and our craft

from dashing on the rocks.

Nor is there anything incongruous

in the mixture of cheerfulness with

matters of a sacred character. Long-

faced religion must stand, if it stands

at all, upon other doctrines than that

taught by Him, the Master; and its

followers are not following Him when

they practice it.

But to return to our turkey. How

when this delicious bird first became

such an important feature at the

Thanksgiving feast we are not pre-

pared to say. That it is worthy of its

place at any table is the opinion of no

less an authority than Brillat-Savarin,

who enthusiastically says:

"The turkey is, assuredly, one of the

most noble gifts the New World has

given to the Old. * * * It is the largest,

and, if not the most delicate, is at least

the most savory of our domestic fowls.

It also has the special advantage

of assembling around it all classes of so-

ciety. When our vine-growers and

farmers give a feast on a long winter's

night, what do we behold turning on

the spit before a hot fire?—a turkey.

When the usual manufacturer, the

hard-working artisan, wishes to give a

treat to his friends the *obligato* dish is

a turkey stuffed with chestnuts and

sauces. And in our high gastronomic

circles, in those select reunions where

polities are obliged to give way to a

dissertation on taste—what is ex-

pected? What is brought up at the

second course—a truffled turkey."

This general gastronomic fitness is

quite as fully appreciated in the New

as well as the Old World, and from

Thanksgiving up into the month of

February, or even later, the turkey

has little respite from its martyrdom

to the greed of man, and continues to

grace with its juicy presence the tables

of all classes that feel peculiarly able

to pay for it. Indeed, "Where do all

the turkeys come from?" is quite as

often asked as that other problematic

one, which has been puzzling the

brains of all humanity, the break-

down of the pig. We trust, however,

that no dearth in the supply will ever

be serious enough to cause us any

gastronomic inconvenience, and that

the Nation, as she meets the day upon

the rim of the revolving year, will be

ever ready with the prayer upon her

lips: "Heaven bless Thanksgiving and

the turkey!"—The Caterer.

Metallic Railway Ties.

The subject of the introduction of

metallic railway ties as an imperish-

able and economical substitute for the

present article has had an authority in

this line to write that, after much track

walking and observation of the condi-

tion of wooden cross ties in various

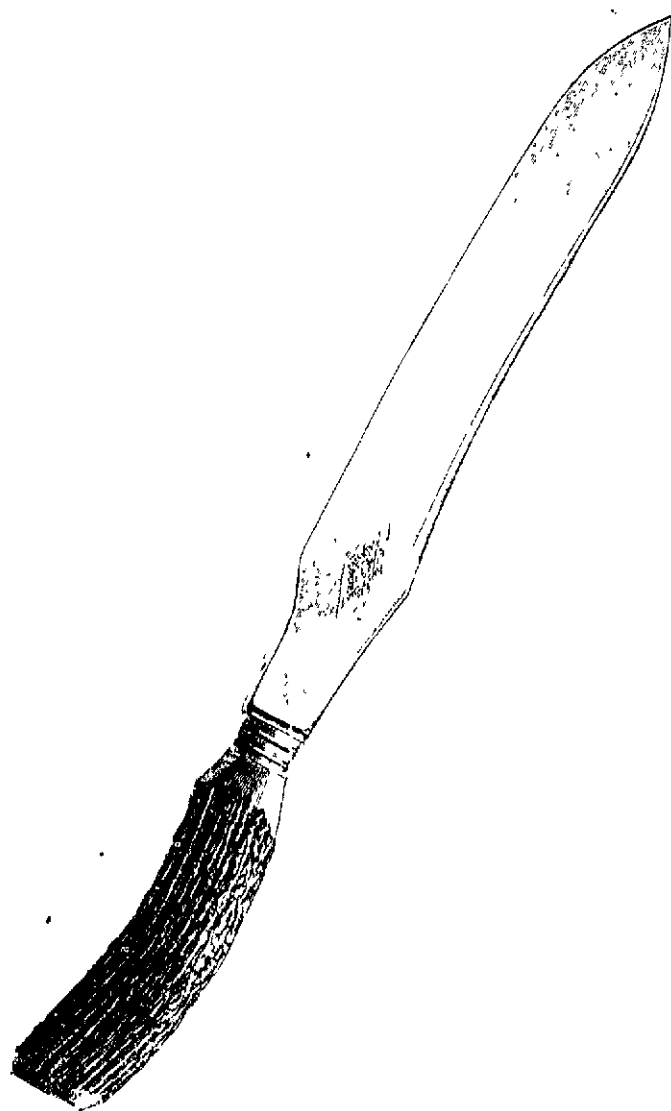
stages of decay, he concludes that the

principal cause of their short life is not

natural decay, but decay hastened by

frequent laceration and breaking of the

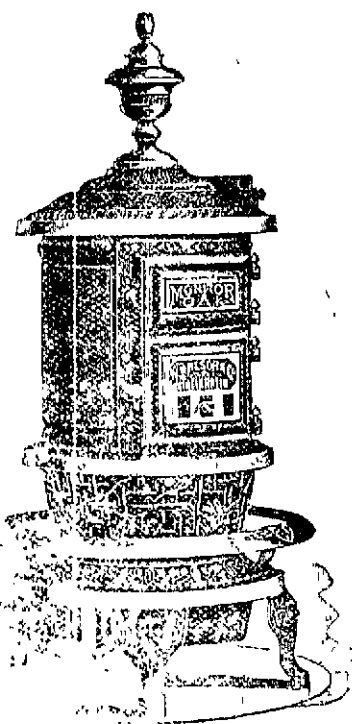
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You will find them just what I recommend them to be—pure and wholesome, free from pig's foot jelly, glucose, or any other adulterations. Try them side by side with goods peddled off on you as so-called pure goods by unprincipled parties. Don't buy such stuff. It will hurt your pocketbook and ruin your health.

PETER ULLRICH,

144 East Main Street.
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FRIDAY EVE., DEC. 10, 1898.

LOCAL NEWS.

FOR PRESENTS look through the month assortment at

E. D. BATHOLMEW & Co.

"KEEP IT DARK" I want to see you."

PRESBYTERIAN FAIR, to night.

H. F. EHRMAN & Co. can suit you in an elegant Seal Skin Cap. dec2-dit

GOODMAN'S band in uniform will be at the Presbyterian fair at the tabernacle and render music for the promenaders.

BOSHER & HUTCHINSON Felt Boots.

The eight-year old son of Jacob S. Keller, residing near Forsythe, died on Thursday night.

BOSHER CHIPS, all flavors, at Wood Bros. dec10-15d-dw

TUCSON folding beds that sell from \$20 to \$30 each, at Dushman & Meyer's store, are handsome pieces of furniture.

SELECT choice supplies for the table at Hanks & Patterson's family grocery store.

Dr. H. Cooklin is appointed receiver for the Chicago division of the Wabash, he will have 268 miles of road to look after.

V. H. PARKER, Feed all kinds cheap.

"AND NOW Mr. J. Frost covers with the creases and ponds, spreading it out; And soon all the folks who are present will see a hole in the ice where the boys used to be."

ALL leading groceries in the city sell Shellaburger's White Loaf and Daily Bread.

The rooms in the residence part of the jail are being decorated in fine style.

Sheriff Maury and family will take possession in a few days.

SELECT California fruits at Niedermeyer's handy grocery store on the Mond.

YOUNG man, you are invited to attend the evangelical meeting at Y. M. C. A. hall this evening.

CALL on Lehman & Bolen for genuine Pennsylvania buckwheat flour and maple syrup.

A FINE collar box, nail set, celluloid set or a perfume box would make an appropriate gift. See the array of beautiful goods at W. C. Armstrong's drug store.

TRY J. Lytle & Co., opera block, for reliable groceries, dressed poultry and fruits.

THE most present for a gentleman is a Seal Skin Cap. See them at

dec2-dit H. F. EHRMAN & Co.

A BUSINESS meeting of the Sons of Veterans will be held Monday night at the office of W. C. Johns, with Captain Oglesby in command.

PURSE preserves and maple syrup at Peter Ullrich's grocery store.

ASK your grocer for Hatfield & Co's White Foam Soap. You will like it.

FEED at Geo. W. Ehrhart's coal yard. dec8-dim

IT will pay you to see the display of pretty decorations for the home at Abel & Locke's establishment. Ornaments are marked "very down."

ALL the local anglers should be at the opera house to-night to see the Lone Fisherman in "Evangeline."

DUSHER poultry and bulk oysters every day at D. H. Hollman & Son's grocery store.

FEED at Geo. W. Ehrhart's coal yard. dec8-dim

A HANDY road cart is what you need. Get one at D. F. Hunscher's shop, Wood street.

WOOL BROS. have a fine line of imported Caudies—something never before shown in Decatur. dec10-15d-dw

FEED at Geo. W. Ehrhart's coal yard. dec8-dim

BOSHER & HUTCHINSON repair shoes cheap

By acquiring a thorough knowledge of Book Keeping, you have something that will always prove your friend in time of need. Many are taking advantage of the HALF RATES at the Business College Night School.

V. H. PARKER, Corn, Oats, Hay, Straw.

TRADES with Smith & Son, 733 North Water street. They deliver groceries to all parts of the city promptly.

SPECIAL inducements in *Plano* and *Organs* to purchasers during December and January, 1898—C. B. Prescott.

V. H. PARKER, Hard and Soft Coal delivered.

"PACHEN" can get Candies for schools at reduced prices, at Wood Bros. dec10-15d-dw

For the Genuine Sugar Loaf Light Hard Coal, call on O'Connell, the live coal and wood dealer. nov27-dit

BOSHER & HUTCHINSON for warm-lined Shoes. dit

COLD weather is here, and so are these elegant Seal Skin Caps, at H. F. EHRMAN & Co. dec2-dit

Mrs. K. EINHORN wishes to call the attention of the ladies of Decatur to her elegant line of Millinery Goods, returned direct from New York, consisting of hats, bonnets, feathers, fancy feathers, and trimming goods. By buying these goods in the eastern market, she is enabled to sell 25 per cent. cheaper than any other house in Decatur. Remember the place, 110 North Water street, two doors north of Millikin's Bank. d10-dim

Rap underwear at a sacrifice at Cheap Charley's. d10-dim

GRAB bargains in Ladies' Muslin Underwear, at Linn & Scaugous. d10-dim

A new elegant Seal Skin Wraps, suitable for young ladies, that will sell very cheap. Linn & Scaugous, d10-dim

OYSTERS served in every style, also in bulk or on a feed store. dec10-15d-dw

New Feed Store.

Geo. W. Ehrhart is started, in connection with his coal yard, a feed store. All orders for coal or feed promptly filled. Telephone No. 183. dec8-dim

Spice Work in Jail.

The morning after the 10 sentenced prisoners in the county jail were taken up the road to Joliet, Tom Cook, the turkey, discovered a woful state of things in the quarters vacated by the convicts. They had deliberately combined in the work of destroying the furnishings of the cells, ripping open the ticks, scattering the straw, breaking buckets and playing smash generally. The east corridor looked as if a band of gypsies had camped there for a month. The work was left undisturbed to be viewed by State's Attorney Vail, who will probably call the attention of the grand jury to the matter and have the revengeful prisoners indicted for destroying county property.

HARRY GILLESPIE, switchman in the Wabash yard, was wounded in a singular manner last night. He and Flan McEvoy were standing in the yard as a passenger train pulled up to the platform. Flan stepped in between the cars to pull a coupling-pin, and as he did so Gillespie got a blow on the forehead that made a deep gash and knocked him senseless. He dropped like he was shot and remained unconscious until picked up by McEvoy. It is believed that somebody hit Gillespie with a stone or piece of iron. There was no one about at the time. The wound is not dangerous, but it bled profusely and was dressed by Dr. Channow. Gillespie has been with the road nearly 15 years, and so far he knows he has no enemies among the men.

Dancing at the Club.

Last night the members of the Decatur Club gave another brilliant dancing party in the handsome parlors of the club. It was attended by the elite of the city, and was an occasion richly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. W. C. OAKER, son-in-law of R. G. Sollars, has decided to make Decatur his home in future. He has bought a lot on West Decatur street, west of the J. K. Warren residence, and will put up a handsome dwelling as soon as the weather will permit. Mr. Crozier travels for a Chicago marble firm and started out on a trip this morning.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Diana May is on the sick list.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sine, Dec. 10, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Keller, of Morrisville, are guests at the New Domic.

Senator Rogers is home from a business trip to Chicago, Kankakee and Bloomington.

Major Emery, of Marion, departed for New York City and Washington, D. C., on Monday. He will be absent two weeks.

Miss Kimble, of Connecticut, is a guest of Mrs. O. Z. Greene and will remain here several weeks.

Dr. Bille has invested extra cash in the purchase of Grant's Personal Memoirs. He got the books of M. F. Murphy.

Rev. Horace Reed and Dr. Hiram Buck visited the Illinois Methodist College at Jacksonville this week in the interest of the church.

Miss Helen Douglas, of Ashland, Ill., who has been in the city six weeks, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. C. Stevens, left for her home this morning.

H. G. Folz, late Wabash agent at Oakley, has been placed in charge of the railway office at Sullivan. It is a deserved promotion.

Mr. Miller, the general agent for the Rose Ogilhan company, here in "School for Scoundals" on the 17th, was in the city yesterday.

D. W. McIntyre, formerly of this county, was in the city last night. He is now associated with John Turner in coal business at Monticello, and handles coal from the Decatur, Natick and Lincoln mines.

Paul C. Hull, a reporter for the Chicago Daily News, lies in a critical condition in Chicago. He was brutally assaulted Tuesday night by "Buck" McFarland, one of the commissioners of Cook county, for having written an article reflecting on his morality. Hull had his skull fractured over the eye by the blow. He may die. McFarland will be vigorously prosecuted. Hull was well known in Decatur, having been here frequently doing detective work in connection with the Zera Barnes case.

ELDER J. W. TYLER is making a noticeable improvement at his residence, on North Main street. He is putting up a large veranda on the Main street front that greatly adds to the beauty of the place.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Christ. Diekhoff died this forenoon at 11 o'clock. The babe contracted a severe cold and was taken with convulsions. He was 8 months old.

A LITERARY and musical entertainment will be given at the Edward Street Chapel on Tuesday evening, Dec. 14th. Much care has been expended to make it both interesting and instructive. The presentation of the Christian Soldier in full armor, in which more than twenty-five persons take part, is an important item on the program. Admission 5 cents. Children under 10 years, 10c. Dec 10-14

CHRISTMAS CANDLES, in great variety and prices to suit, at Wood Bros. dec10-15d-dw

FOUR young men at Sam's meeting in the Young Men's Christian Association hall last night were led to confess Christ. Others are seeking a truer knowledge of the Bible. A deep feeling pervaded the audience while the teacher opened up the subject of "God's Keeping Power." All young men are invited this evening. The bravest of souls has appeared.

DEKMAN BROS., at their new market on Merchant street, will supply you with fresh meats and spare ribs.

CORN in Logan county is selling at a much better rate than in Peoria or Bloomington. In Hartburg the buyer is paying 30 1/2 cents, and in Emden 31 1/2 cents. The corn is of good quality, but not much is coming in. The new corn shows up solid, and compares favorably with the old.

"I wonder how it is that Lawrence Barrett always keeps his voice so clear and resonant?" "Why I suppose, like every other sensible man, he keeps a supply of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup."

Rheumatism had had hold of me for two or three years. I tried Salvation Oil; it quickly gave me relief, and I have not had it since. Wm. OAKS, Clifton, Baltimore county, Md.

Read This.

Best Wood \$3.75 per cord, delivered. Stove Wood and Chunks, Dry Chip-Corn, Oats, Hay, Straw, Wheat, Corn Meal, Cracked Corn, Bran, Shorts, and the celebrated N. Y. feed for cows, (best and cheapest) only feed mill in the city. All kinds of Oats at bottom prices. Keep my own teams and deliver promptly. Store lots of kinds of goods. Y. H. PARKER. nov16-dim

It Is Out.

The handsomely printed premium list for the Mason County Poultry Club has just been issued from the REPUBLICAN job rooms. It is a neat book of 60 pages, giving the rules and regulations and also the regular and special premiums to be competed for at the first annual exhibition of the club to be given at the tabernacle January 3 to 8. The officers of the club are A. T. Hall, president; vice-presidents, Geo. P. Hardy, of Decatur; James Haskins, of Marion; J. N. Hill, of Orono; C. A. Hall, of Natick; J. G. Harvey, of Blue Mound; secretary and treasurer, R. J. Simpson, of Decatur; executive board, A. T. Hill, R. J. Simpson, Geo. P. Hardy, E. D. Bartholomew, L. F. Skelley, Theo. K. Bobb and H. W. Hill; superintendent, M. T. Bonfield. The judge of the exhibition will be B. N. Pierce, of Indianapolis. The show will bring out a fine collection of fowls and will attract much interest.

At Work Again.

There are now more signs of activity about the new English Lutheran church, on North Main street. A force of men are at work fixing up the basement for the immediate use of the congregation. The floor will be put in place and the lecture room fitted up for regular services within a few weeks. The auditorium wood work will not be finished until some time in the spring.

A Hit at the Capital.

The Rice Evangeline party came in from Springfield this forenoon by special car. They had a big house at the capital last night and gave a performance that is highly praised by all the Springfield papers. The troupe carries a lot of special scenery and shows the finest costumes and most brilliant effects ever seen on the Decatur stage. Go to-night. Do not miss "Evangeline."

Serious Charges.

The grand jury brought in indictments against H. H. Harris and Charles Casale, of the vicinity of Marion, for the alleged forgery of two separate notes, each for the sum of \$450. The notes bear the signatures of Thomas Davis and Mr. Short, farmers who are perfectly good for the money.

The Victims Allege That Harris and Casale were going about stealing a hay fork, and so they understood it they were signing a contract and not a note, and they further claim that they did not sign a note for any sum. It is stated that both young men are also indicted for forgery at Taylorville, the complaint being a farmer named McVey, residing near Blue Mound in Christian county. Casale is at liberty under \$800 bond. Harris was brought to Decatur to-day by Marshal Mason. The young men may be able to show that their notes were regular and secure acquittal.

Dr. W. P. Buck is agitating the subject of building an academy at Moweaqua. The idea is to employ a competent corps of teachers and give the children of Shelby and Christian counties first-class educational facilities. Where is Moweaqua to get the money?

MARRIAGE OF MISS LULIE RYNNES.

A Young Lady Well Known in Decatur Social Circles.

In the issue of the Lexington Transcript appears the following account of the marriage of Miss Rynees, niece of Mrs. W. J. Quilan, who visited Decatur two years ago, and has many friends and admirers in this city. The wedding occurred at Lexington, Ky., on Dec. 7th. The Transcript says:

At 12 o'clock yesterday, Col. Albert Cross, superintendent of the city railway, was united in the holy bonds of wedlock to Miss Lulie Rynees, a beautiful and accomplished young lady and one of our society belles. The marriage took place in the spacious parlor at the residence of the bride's parents, four miles from this city on the Georgetown pike. The wedding was a quiet but very delightful social event, the nuptials being celebrated in a beautiful and impressive manner by Rev. Charles Shelhamer of Madison, Ind. The bride is a lovely blonde, the perfect ideal of a young womanhood. She was attired in a real brown traveling dress, with hat to match. Natural flowers adorned her hair, and a corsage boue completed her ornaments. Leaving on the arm of her handsome young husband, while relatives and congenial friends, she was composed and dignified, yet charmed all with her perfectness of manner and cordial greeting. Mr. Cross is a gallant young gentleman, a good and enterprising business man, who is well and popularly known, and has won for his companion in life one of the fairest representatives of our social circles. After extending the usual congratulations to the young husband and wife, the guests were returned to the dining room, where a splendid dinner was served. The bride partied left on the afternoon train for Decatur, Chicago and California. They will be absent two months. The young people, whose wedding it was so auspiciously begun, go out with the hearty congratulations of hosts of friends and with best wishes for their happiness and prosperity.

The Illinois Midland.

Peoria Journal: The Illinois Midland railroad is to be resold, and the opinion prevails in and about the depot here that President Mackay, of the P. D. & E. and T. H. roads, will eventually obtain control of it. Mackay's bid at the first sale was almost as large as that of the parties to whom the road was assigned, and now that the first sale is set aside, his chances are declared good.

MARRIED.

By Rev. T. W. Pinkerton, pastor of the Christian church, at the residence of Decatur, at 8 o'clock p. m., on Thursday, December 9th, 1898, John H. Hunscher and Miss Emma Hunscher, both of our city.

The groom is a prosperous young farmer, highly respected, and the bride a dress-maker, also a steady high in society in the community of Cotto Gordo. Mrs. Hunscher is a sister of Mrs. Rebecca J. Carpenter, of Decatur. Only a few of the relatives and friends witnessed the marriage. A reception was given at the home of the bride's mother, in Cotto Gordo, at 1 o'clock to-day. There was a large circle of friends at the depot to welcome the bride and groom and her sister and niece and other friends of the bride party.

Handy Things to Know.

Here are some figures and rules very handy to know and have at hand, in the mind, or on paper:

A rod is 16 1/2 feet, or 5 1/2 yards.

A mile is 1,760 yards.

A square foot is 144 square inches.

A square rod is 3,600 square feet.

An acre contains 43,560 square feet.

An acre contains 4,840 square yards.

An acre contains 160 square rods.

A section, or square mile, contains 640 acres.

A quarter section contains 160 acres.

An acre is 5 rods wide by 32 rods long.

An acre is 10 rods wide by 16 rods long.

An acre is about 208 1/2 feet square.

A solid foot of water weighs one pound.

A pint of water weighs one pound.

A gallon of water weighs eight pounds and 1/2.

A barrel (31 1/2 gallons) holds 4 1/2 solid feet (224).

A solid foot contains nearly 7 1/2 solid pints (7.48).

A bushel (struck) contains 2,160 solid inches.

A bushel (heaped) contains 1 1/2 struck bushels.

A struck bushel contains about 1 1/2 solid feet.

MAROA'S MODEL BANK.

C. F. Emery & Co. in Their New Building—Free Reading Room—The Major's Hospitality.

A REPUBLICAN representative yesterday visited Maroa, and while there visited and inspected the new banking house of C. F. Emery & Co., into which the genial major has recently moved. The building is one of the old landmarks of the town, standing on a prominent corner, is built of brick, and has been fitted up in splendid style with new furniture, and is as convenient and cozy as the same class of institutions in much larger places. The counter and outside furniture are of yellow pine, finished in the natural color, while the counter is surmounted by a wire netting, with doors of the same. The walls are covered with a bright and attractive paper, new windows furnish abundant light, the safes are set in the rear partition so as to show nothing but the fronts, and a large room in the rear affords ample opportunity for private consultations, with facilities for writing, closets for coats, &c. In short, the place is fitted up in elegant style, with every convenience for the satisfactory transaction of business.

In the basement of the building Major Emery has fitted up, at his own expense, a comfortable and cozy reading room, which he furnishes to a society of ladies rent free, where the leading daily papers and other periodicals may always be found. It is presided over by a lady, and is open to the public every day from 1 to 3 o'clock p. m. The enterprise promises to be exceedingly popular, and will doubtless prove to be a great blessing to the community. Major Emery is always doing something to benefit and interest the public, and this latest benefaction of his, in establishing a free reading room for the people, is only another evidence of his well intentioned and practical public spirit. May he live long to benefit the community in which he resides.

During his stay in Maroa the REPUBLICAN ambassador was entertained at dinner by Major and Mrs. Emery, and desires to bear testimony to the excellence of that portion of the Emery establishment which is presided over by the better and handsomer member of the combination. In her department everything is as faultless as is that which owns her husband as the manager.

"Evangeline" To-Night.

Rice's beautiful "Evangeline," with its great star cast of sixty artists, will be the attraction to-night at the opera house. This pure burlesque, with its pretty story, beautiful music, gorgeous scenery and magnificent costumes, has made the greatest hit of the age, running 253 nights in New York to immense audiences, and 102 nights in Chicago to the largest audiences and the longest run ever known in that city. Its magnificent scenery, gorgeous costumes and startling mechanical effects have been a theme of praise and discussion all over the country, and wherever it has appeared audiences large enough to pack the theatres to the doors have been the rule. Among the new features introduced are the Wedding Minnet, the Sextette for male voices; the Grand March of the Amazons, performed by twenty-one ladies clad in the most magnificent feudal armor ever worn on the stage; the new Grand Turkish March, the Diamond Field, Stealing Away, the Merry Baffins in their wonderful acrobatic feats, songs and dances, the new topical song, "I Like It," sung by Gabriel, and the "Japanese Finale." Take it in its entirety, there has never been presented a better or purer burlesque than Rice's beautiful "Evangeline." Barony, the Napoleon of photographers, in speaking of it, said: "It is simply bewitching, and Rice is the king of caterers to all that pertains to the beautiful, musical and artistic on the stage." The company arrived from Springfield on the noon train.

The other day a druggist in a neighboring city had the misfortune to have a large plate glass window broken by the wind. To prevent being questioned to death, he at once retired to the back room, returning after a short time with a card bearing the following legend:

This glass is broken. The wind did it. Don't ask me what it will cost. Don't know when it will be repaired. Don't know how many pieces it made when it fell. The "board hole" will make the room darker. It is a nuisance when it fell. It fell down—not up!

Tas Rose Ogilhan dramatic troupe makes a big jump to get to Decatur. They leave Philadelphia, going direct to Dayton, Ohio, next to Terra Haute, Ind., then to Springfield, coming from the capital to Decatur. The troupe goes from Decatur to Cairo on its way to Memphis and other southern cities.

CONTRACT SIGNED at the Tabernacle Friday.

The firm of Sorgen & Stont will dissolve in a few days, and Mr. Sorgen will move to the room formerly occupied by the Herald, on North Main street. 8d5w

The largest assortment of Boys' Knee Pads, ranging in price from \$1 to \$1.50, at B. Stuebs. d10-dim

New Carpets.

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W. W. SCUDDER has now located with H. F. Ehrman & Co., 206 South Side City Park, where he has a full line of watches, chains, charms, &c., in fact everything belonging to a first-class stock, which will be sold at prices beyond competition. He would be pleased to have you call, whether you desire to purchase or not. Repairing of all kinds done in strictly first-class style. dec6-d1w

DEED.

Of aliphtheria, at 838 a. m., on Thursday, December 9, 1898, at the home of the parents, in Wheatland township, Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bell, aged four years and seven months.

The Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1 p. m. to-day, received by G. C. Caldwell, Commission Merchant, this city.

Wheat—77 1/2 Dec; 76 1/2 Jan; 75 1/2 Feb; 85 1/2 May.

Corn—37 Dec; 37 1/2 Jan; 37 1/2 Feb; 49 1/2 May.

Oats—26 1/2 Dec; 26 1/2 Jan; 26 1/2 Feb; 31 May.

Pork—\$11.22 Dec; \$11.27 Jan; \$11.37 Feb.

Lard—\$6.10 Dec; \$6.15 Jan; \$6.20 May.

Ribs—\$5.62 Dec; \$5.67 Jan; \$5.77 May.

Live Stock—Estimated receipts—Hogs, 36,000; prospects sell shade higher.

Cattle, 6,500; market stronger.

Corn Lots—Winter wheat 17 spring w 185; corn 255; oats 165.

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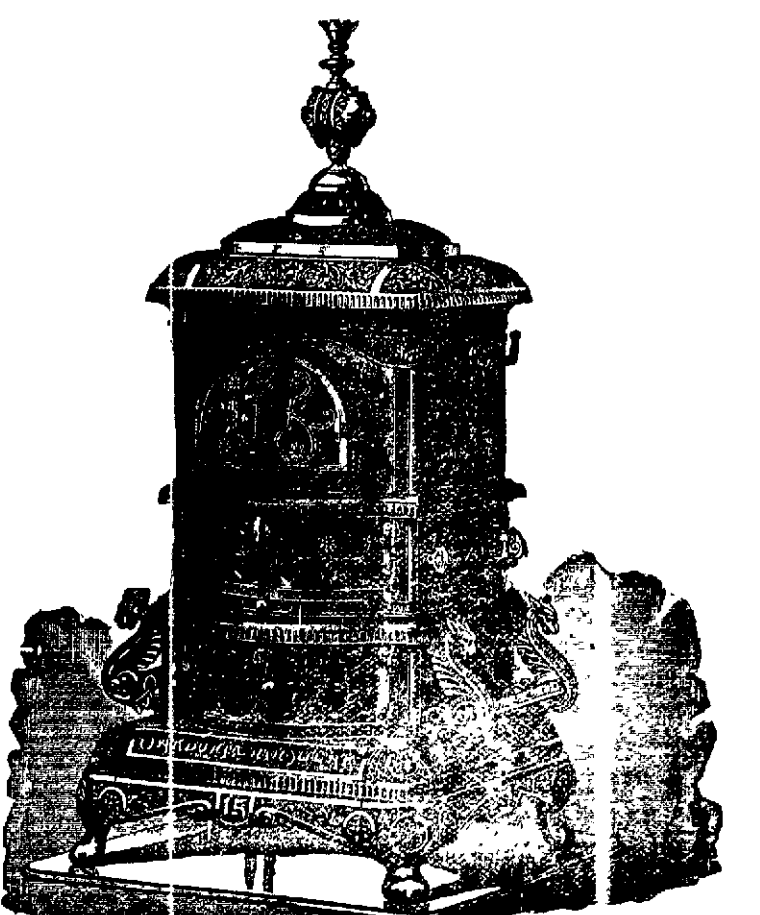
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